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The following remarks are submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated May 20, 2003.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-7 and 15 are pending.

**THE DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION**

Claims 1-7 and 15 were rejected on the grounds of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 10 and 11 of U.S. Patent No. 6,277,205.